

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Continuation Patent Application Of:  
Michael Becker et al.

) Prior Application:  
) Application No. 09/015,475  
) Filed: January 29, 1998  
) as a Divisional Application of  
) Application No. 08/712,174  
) Filed: September 11, 1996  
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For: CONTAINERS AND METHODS FOR  
STORING AND ADMIXING MEDICAL  
SOLUTIONS

**CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL FILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

Box Patent Application  
Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application of co-pending prior Application No. 09/015,475 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). The parent application was filed on January 29, 1998 by Applicants Michael Becker et al., and is similarly entitled "Container and Methods for Storing and Admixing Medical Solutions."

**Benefit of Prior U.S. Applications**

This is a continuation application of United States Patent Application No. 09/015,475, which was filed on January 29, 1998, and which is a divisional application of United States Patent Application No. 08/712,174, which was filed on September 11, 1996 (abandoned).

**Papers Enclosed**

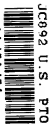
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d), the specification filed herewith contains no new matter. Accordingly, a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application (U.S. Application No. 09/015,475) is submitted herewith.

The papers attached are as follows:

- 40 pages of Specification;
- 4 pages of Claims;
- 6 page of Abstract;
- 3 sheets of informal Drawings containing Figures 1-6.

**Additional Papers Enclosed**

A Preliminary Amendment is also attached requesting cancellation in the attached application of claims 1-26 before calculating the filing fee.



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# **Incorporation by Reference**

The entire disclosure of the prior applications, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

## **Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same as that for the parent application.

## **Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)**

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

For:	No. Filed	No. Extra	Small Entity		or	Other Than A Small Entity	
			Rate	Fee		Rate	Fee
Basic Fee				\$355	or		\$710
Total Claims	29- 20 =	9	x 9 =	\$0	or	x 18 =	\$162
Indep. Claims	7 - 3 =	4	x 40 =	\$0	or	x 80 =	\$320
9 First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			x 135 =	\$0	or	x 270 =	\$0
			Total	\$0	or	Total	\$1192

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## **Relate Back--35 U.S.C. 120**

As required under 35 U.S.C. 120, the Specification of the attached application has been amended in the Preliminary Amendment to include the following specific reference to the earlier filed parent application:

"Cross-Reference to Related Applications"

This is a continuation application of United States Patent Application No. 09/015,475, which was filed on January 29, 1998, and is a divisional application of United States Patent Application No. 08/712,174, which was filed on September 11, 1996 (abandoned)."

**Notification in Parent Application of This Filing**

A notification of the filing of this Continuation Application is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

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